

CHAPTER NO. 139

HOUSE BILL NO. 3351

By Representative Rhinehart

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 3338

By Senator Cooper

AN ACT to amend Chapter 244 of the Acts of 1905; as amended by Chapter 245 of the Private Acts of 1982; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the charter of the town of Morrison.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Chapter 244 of the Acts of 1905, as amended by Chapter 245 of the Private Acts of 1982, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Section 4 in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

ELECTIONS/TERMS OF OFFICE

Section 4. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That: (a) The Warren County Election Commission shall conduct an election in the Town of Morrison on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in every even-numbered year, with the first such election being held on Tuesday, November 7, 2000, for the purpose of electing five (5) persons to serve as Aldermen, and one (1) person to serve as Mayor. All persons living in the limits of the corporation who would be qualified to vote for members of the General Assembly of the State and persons owning real property in the bounds of the corporation which was assessed to them on the tax book of the county in January preceding the election, shall be allowed to vote. The five (5) candidates receiving the greatest number of votes shall be declared as Aldermen, and the one (1) receiving the highest number for Mayor shall be declared Mayor. No person shall be eligible to the office of Mayor or Aldermen unless such person is a citizen of and resides in the Town of Morrison, and is over twenty-one (21) years of age, and in case of death, removal, or resignation of any (1) of the officers of the corporation, the Mayor and Aldermen shall have the power to fill such vacancies for the time unexpired.

(b) The Mayor and Aldermen thus elected shall serve two year terms, with such terms of office beginning on the first Monday after the first Saturday of December immediately following the regular November municipal election.

SECTION 2. Chapter 244 of the Acts of 1905, as amended, is further amended by deleting Section 5 titled "ORGANIZATION" and substituting instead the following:
OATH OF OFFICE

Section 5. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Mayor and Aldermen of the Town, before entering upon the duties of their office, shall take an oath to uphold the laws of the State of Tennessee, the Town of Morrison, and to defend the Town against any action. Such oath shall be administered by any official authorized under the laws of the State of Tennessee to administer oaths. The Town Recorder shall maintain a copy of each oath as an official record of the Town of Morrison.

SECTION 3. Chapter 244 of the Acts of 1905, as amended, is further amended by deleting Section 6 titled "OATH OF OFFICERS" and substituting instead the following:

ORGANIZATION

Section 6. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the persons elected pursuant to Section 4 above, shall as soon as practicable after taking the oath of office, meet and elect a Town Recorder and Marshal for the corporation for a term of one (1) year.

SECTION 4. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Legislative Body of Morrison. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of Morrison and certified to the Secretary of State.


SECTION 5. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 4.

PASSED: May 25, 2000


JIMMY RAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 31st day of May 2000


DON SUNDQUIST, GOVERNOR